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SUBJECT: CABINET CHANGES ANNOUNCED

REF: (A) LA PAZ 8200, (B) LA PAZ 8159,

1. PRESIDENT BANZER ANNOUNCED ON OCTOBER 13 FOUR CABINET CHANGES AND NAMED A NEW CONTROLLER OF THE REPUBLIC. NEW MINISTERS NAMED WERE DAVID BLANCO AS FINANCE MINISTER REPLACING CARLOS CALVO WHO RESIGNED OCTOBER 11 (SEE REFTTEL A); NAVY CAPTAIN NAVIO FERNANDO GUILLEN AS MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING REPLACING SANTIAGO MAESSE; FADRIQUE MUNOZ AS TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER REPLACING

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JULIO TRIGO; AND LT. COL. LUIS CORDERO AS MINISTER OF ENERGY AND HYDROCARBONS. DR. WALKER HUMEREZ WAS NAMED AS COMPTROLLER OF THE REPUBLIC TO FILL THE VACANCY LEFT BY NEW TRANSPORT MINISTER MUNOZ. WITH THE NAMING OF BLANCO AND MUNOZ, BANZER'S CABINET NOW INCLUDES TWO CIVILIANS. BLANCO VISITED THE US AS A LEADER GRANTEE IN JUNE 1977 ON A SPECIAL PROGRAM FOCUSING ON THE US FINANCIAL AND
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ECONOMIC SYSTEM.

2. IN HIS REMARKS AT THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY, BANZER PUT THE CHANGES IN THE CONTEXT OF NORMAL CHANGES APPROPRIATE TO A DYNAMIC ADMINISTRATION. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE GOB INTENDS TO MAINTAIN MONETARY STABILITY, PROBABLY TO ALLAY WILD RUMORS CIRCULATING IN LA PAZ OF AN IMMINENT DEVALUATION.

3. THE EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT OTHER AMBASSADORS, IN ADDITION
TO AMBASSADOR TO THE US ALBERTO CRESPO (SEE REFTEL B), ARE
BEING RECALLED AND WE EXPECT FURTHER CHANGES IN SENIOR GOB
OFFICIALS BETWEEN NOW AND THE END OF 1977.
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